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Japanese Patent Application Publication 2002-218871 in Figure 3 discloses a spinning reel unit that has a rod attachment portion 2b, a reel body 2a that is formed integrally with the rod attachment portion 2b, a lid 2d that is attached to the reel body 2a detachably/reattachably, and a cover member 13 that covers the rear of the reel body 2a and the lid 2d.

Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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